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SUBJECT: SWAZILAND'S POSITION ON THE KOREAN ISSUE  
AT THE UNGA

REF: MBABANE 1449

1. IN DISCUSSION WITH GOS MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON SEPTEMBER 4, AMBASSADOR RAISED THE SUBJECT OF KOREAN ISSUE AT UNGA. AMBASSADOR SAID WE APPRECIATED GOS DECISION TO SUPPORT FRIENDLY RESOLUTION, WHICH WE BELIEVED OFFERED BEST CHANCE OF PROGRESS TOWARDS PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

2. MATSEBULA SAID GOS HAD LISTENED TO PRESENTATIONS BY BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH KOREAN DELEGATIONS IN RECENT WEEKS, AS WELL AS OPINIONS OF SOME NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES. HE SAID SOME CONTRIES WERE DISTRUBED BY PRESENCE OF U.S. TROOPS WHICH THEY CLAIMED PREVENTED NEGOTIATIONS. AMB. REPLIED THIS WAS NOT THE ISSUE SINCE U.S. FORCES WERE IN KOREA UNDER BILATERAL MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY. THEIR PRESENCE HAD NOT PREVENTED OPENING OF TALKS BETWEEN THE  
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TWO KOREAS IN 1972. SOUTH KOREA HAD REPEATEDLY OFFERED

TO RESUME THESE TALKS BUT HAD RECEIVED NO REPLY. IN ADDITION, THE HOSTILE RESOLUTION SEEKS TO EXCLUDE SOUTH KOREA FROM THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS.

3. MATSEBULA SAID THAT GOS DECISION TO VOTE FOR FRIENDLY RESOLUTION AND ABSTAIN ON HOSTILE RESOLUTION HAD BEEN MADE AT CABINET LEVEL. THIS DECISION MIGHT BE REVIEWED WHEN REPORT HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM GOS DELEGATION IN NEW YORK. AMB. URGED THAT WHEN THIS REVIEW TAKES PLACE, GOS CONSIDER VOTING AGAINST THE HOSTILE RESOLUTION AS WELL AS FOR THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION. IN USG VIEW, HOSTILE RESOLUTION WOULD CLEARLY INHIBIT CHANCES FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT. MATSEBULA REPLIED HE WAS NOT CONVINCED THAT HOSTILE RESOLUTION WOULD PROMOTE DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN TWO KOREAS, WHICH IN SWAZILAND'S VIEW WAS THE BEST WAY TO SOLVE PROBLEMS OF THIS KIND.

4. COMMENT: GOS APPEARS SYMPATHETIC TO USG POSITION ON KOREAN ISSUE BUT MAY BE STRONGLY INFLUENCED BY REPORT FROM SWAZI DEL IN N.Y. I BELIEVE SOME MISSIONARY WORK BY USUN, PARTICULARLY WITH SWAZI U.N. PERMREP NORMAN MALINGA, MIGHT PRODUCE WORTHWILE RESULTS. BOLEN

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